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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS);

Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS) will take place. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: Tuesday, March 8, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, March 9, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Sheraton Pentagon City, 900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Bowling or DACOWITS Staff at 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 04J25-01, Alexandria, Virginia 22350-9000;

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and Section 10(a), Public Law 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the DACOWITS.

The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to swear-in new members, and to receive briefings and updates relating to their current work. The Committee will start the meeting with the swearing-in of three new members. The Designated Federal Officer (DFO) will then give a

status update on the Committee's requests for information. There will be a panel with the Air Force, Army, and Navy Chaplain Corps. The Office of Diversity Management and Equal Opportunity will provide an update on sexual harassment. There will be a public comment period at the end of day one. On the second day the Committee will announce their 2016 installation visit schedule. Additionally, there will be two panel discussions with the Services on the following topics: Gender Integration and Transition Training programs and resources.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the DACOWITS. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the point of contact listed at the address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, February 29, 2016. If a written statement is not received by Monday, February 29, 2016, prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the DACOWITS until its next open meeting. The DFO will review all timely submissions with the DACOWITS Chair and ensure they are provided to the members of the Committee. If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement, a written statement should be submitted. After reviewing the written comments, the Chair and the DFO will determine who of the requesting persons will be able to make an oral presentation of their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140(d), determination of who will be making an oral presentation is at the sole discretion of the Committee Chair and the DFO, and will depend on time available and if the topics are relevant to the Committee's activities. Five minutes will be allotted to persons desiring to make an oral presentation. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 from 11:40 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in front of the full Committee. The number of oral

presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, this meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space.

Meeting agenda:

Tuesday, March 8, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
- Swearing-In of New Members
- Request for Information Status Update
- Panel Discussion – Re-Examining the Chaplain Corps
- Sexual Harassment Update
- Public Comment Period

Wednesday, March 9, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

- Welcome and Announcements
- Committee Announces 2016 Installation Visit Schedule
- Panel Discussion – Gender Integration
- Panel Discussion – Transition Training Programs and Resources

Dated: February 17, 2016.

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